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THE 20th of *Auguſt*, the Enemy finiſhed a Bridge of Boats which they had begun ſome days before over the *Po*, behind their Left Wing. They received a Convoy of Proviſions from *Reggio*, which came very ſeaſonably to them, for they had been ſeveral days without Bread. One of our Parties came home, who had met with 45 *French* Foot under the Command of a Captain and a Lieutenant, and having attacked them, had killed every one of them except the Captain and one Soldier. Several other ſmall Parties came in likewiſe, who had done great miſchief to the Enemy: The Huſſars of *Ebergemy* cut in pieces 36 of them, and brought in 6 Horſes The 21ſt, the Enemy ſpent the whole day, as they had done the night before, in carrying their wounded and ſick to the other ſide of the *Po*, whoſe numbers, as we are aſſured by all the Deſerters and Priſoners, are very great, our Cannon doing them much execution. They finiſhed a Battery in an Iſland of the *Po*, over-againſt our Right Wing; began to Cannonade us from thence, and killed a Cornet, and wounded a Lieutenant of the Regiment of Dragoons of *Trautmanſdorf*; but care was taken to ſecure our Men, by caſting up ſome Works on that ſide. The Enemy brought away their Cannon and Mortars from before *Borgoforte*, but their Forces do ſtill continue there. The 22d, the Enemy finiſhed ſeveral new Batteries, and firing from thence, killed 16 of our private Soldiers, and wounded ſome Officers. Our Cannon does them greater damage, and even their head Quarters at *Luzzara* are not ſafe from our Shot, where they had that day 3 Captains and divers Soldiers killed. One of our Parties is come back, who had charged the Enemy's advanced Guards, and killed ſeveral of them, without any other loſs on our ſide than having two Men wounded. A Party that was abroad ſent 7 *French* Priſoners into our Camp. The Enemy having began to raiſe a Battery juſt before our Lines, 3 Companies of Granadiers were ordered to attack them, which they did, and took Poſt there, having beat off the Enemy with great Loſs on their ſide, and very little on ours. Some new raiſed Companies which are to be added to the Regiments of *Rhingrave* and *Solary*, are arrived from *Germany* in the Neighbourhood of *Oſtiglia*: Orders were given for part of them to come hither, and for the reſt to continue there; and two Battalions were ordered to relieve an equal number of the Regiment of *Lichtenſtein*, which lay at that Place, at *Pinteuolino*, and *Mirandola*, and were directed to rejoin their Regiment in our Camp. The 23d, a Party brought in 12 Horſes and 11 Oxen, and gave an Account, that they had killed 13 of the Enemy; Another Party killed ſeveral of them, and brought in ſome Priſoners, and 10 Horſes. A Party of Colonel *Paul Diack*'s Huſſars brought in 100 Horſes. The 24th, the Enemy raiſed a new Battery, from which they killed us 12 Men, and wounded 8 or 10. We continued to fire upon them, and among others, one of our Cannon Shot killed the Centinel that ſtood before the Door of the Duke of *Anjou*'s Quarters. The Enemy began to work afreſh upon their Batteries againſt *Borgoforte*; our Men plying them from thence all the time with Cartridge Shot and ſmall Arms. Both Armies continued to fortify their Camps. One of our Parties advancing within Piſtol-ſhot of the Enemy's Camp, killed 9 Men, and took as many Horſes, and notwithſtanding they were forced to ſtand the fire of 100 Foot, did not loſe one Man. We had Advice from *Berſello*, that the Enemy had ſent much Bagage and 4 Wagons with ſick and wounded Men towards *Caſal Maggiore*. The 25th, a Party brought in ſeveral Priſoners. A Party of 30 Huſſars killed 13 of the Enemy, and took ſome Priſoners, but were afterwards ſo cloſely purſued by a ſtrong Party of Horſe for above a League, that they were forced to let go their Priſoners; However they got off with the Loſs only of ſix Men and one Horſe. We heard that one of our Parties from *Guaſtalla* had cut in pieces a Company of *French* Granadiers, and was fallen in with their Foragers, and had killed and taken many of them. We were joined by the two Battalions of *Lichtenſtein* from *Oſtiglia*. A Party of 100 of our Men attacked the Enemy in their Works before *Borgoforte*, and killed and wounded many of them; in which Action we had only two Men wounded. We raiſed a Battery of 4 Pieces of Cannon on an Iſland in the *Po* near *Borgoforte*, to Batter the Enemy's Works, who are alſo ply'd very briskly from the Batteries of the Caſtle of *Borgoforte*. The 26th, one of our Parties killed 7 of the Enemy, and brought in ſome Horſes and Mules. There happened a very great Storm of Hail, Wind and Thunder, about two hours before night, whereby the Enemy's Bridge over the *Po* was broke, and many of their Boats got looſe, and were brought down by the Stream, which we took care to ſecure to our ſelves. The 27th, 18 Horſe and 10 Foot deſerted together from the Enemy, and came over to us. In the night the Enemy repaired their Bridge, and two Regiments of Horſe, and as many of Dragoons, from the Body of Forces commanded by Prince *Vaudemont*, paſſed over it, and joined their Army; as two or three Brigades of Foot from the ſame Body had done ſome days before. The Duke of *Mantua* is gone from the Camp towards *Milan*; and we hear the Duke of *Anjou* will not continue with their Army much longer. We had an Account, that the Enemy had drawn out the Gariſon of *Mantua*, except 5 or 6 Battalions, in order to ſtrengthen their Army; and that that Town is very ſickly. A Party from *Guaſtalla* took a *French* Captain belonging to the Gariſon of *Reggio*, and two Couriers from the *French* Camp, with their Diſpatches, which were ſent to Prince *Eugene*. The 28th, we had an Account from *Guaſtalla*, that a Party had brought in thither divers Priſoners, and 25 Horſes. The Enemy having offered to treat of a Cartel for the Exchange of Priſoners, Commiſſioners were appointed for that purpoſe. We received an Account, that the Enemy had inveſted *Guaſtalla*. The 29th, the Conferences for the Cartel were begun. The 30th, the Enemy began to fire upon *Guaſtalla* with 10 Guns, and Mortars. A Party of our Horſe having been abroad towards *Curtatone*, brought in 3 Priſoners, 25 Horſes, and 4 Mules. We had a Confirmation, that the Enemy have drawn moſt of the Troops out of their Gariſons. In the night 500 Horſe, under the Command of Major *Werther*, with each a Fuſilier behind him, were ſent out to reinforce the Gariſon of *Berſello*. The 31ſt, we received Advice, that the Enemy had opened Trenches before *Guaſtalla* the day before, which ſurpriſed us, that Place not being ſo well fortified, as that they ſhould need to attack it by the way of a formal Siege. One of our Parties killed 15 of the Enemy, and brought in 8 Horſes. The firſt Inſtant, Major *Werther* came back with his Detachment of Horſe, having ſeen the Fuſiliers ſafe into *Berſello*. He went thither by the way of *Reggiolo* and *Vittoria*, and met ſome of the Enemy's Foragers; of whom our Men took 5, and 15 Horſes, but did not attack the reſt, having Orders to keep themſelves undiſcovered: In his return he attacked a Party of 35 *Iriſh* Foot, who refiring among the Ditches, ſo that the Horſe could not come up with them, he cauſed ſome Dragoons to diſmount, who took 19, and killed the reſt; he afterwards fell in with a Detachment of the Enemy, much ſuperior to his in number, but made ſo prudent a Retreat, that he loſt not one Man. The Cartel was concluded, and ſent to the Emperor and to the *French* King to be ratified. A Party of Huſſars killed 23 of the Enemy near *Santa Vittoria*, and took 2 Priſoners, and 28 Horſes. The Enemy ply'd us very warmly with their Cannon, but with little effect. A Party of Huſſars killed 11 of the Enemy near their Corps de Guard, and then fell upon their Foragers near *Novolara*, killed 9, and took 4 Priſoners, beſides 8 Mules and 32 Horſes. Other Parties ſent in 7 Priſoners, 24 Horſes, and 7 Mules. The 3d, we received an Account, that the Enemy went on with the Siege of *Guaſtalla*. Nothing remarkable has happened this day.

Venice, Sept. 8. This Republick is extreamly diſſatisfied with the *French*, for keeping in our Gulph ſeve-

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